

In the Claims

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1. (Amended) A receiver for receiving broadcast signals multiplexed with program guide information including at least information on the broadcast times of programs, the receiver comprising:

receiving means for receiving the multiplexed signals;

CA separation means for separating the program guide information in the multiplexed signals from the broadcast signals; and

production means for producing a retrieval table consisting of a plurality of time slots each having a predetermined length of time, and for allocating each program to at least one of the plurality of time slots based on the broadcast time of the program.

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3. (Amended) The receiver as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

storage means for storing the separated program guide information;

CR input means for inputting a broadcast time to be retrieved;

execution means for executing program retrieval on the basis of the input broadcast time and the retrieval table; and

processing means for reading out program information of a retrieved program from the storage means and carrying out display processing.

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4. (Amended) A method for retrieving broadcast signals multiplexed with program guide information including at least information on the broadcast times of programs, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving the multiplexed signals;

*23* separating the program guide information in the multiplexed signals from the broadcast signals;

producing a retrieval table consisting of a plurality of time slots each having a predetermined length of time; and

allocating each program to at least one of the plurality of time slots based on the broadcast time of the program.

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*04* 5. (Amended) The program retrieval method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the step of producing a retrieval table includes producing a retrieval table for each genre of program.

6. (Amended) The program retrieval method as claimed in claim 4, further comprising the steps of:

storing the separated program guide information;

inputting a broadcast time to be retrieved;

executing program retrieval on the basis of the input broadcast time and the retrieval table; and

reading out program information of a retrieved program and carrying out display processing.

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